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Appl. No. : 10/760,313

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For : MULTI-BEAM COLOR SCANNING DEVICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,
Applicant calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 1-105271, which was published
on April 21, 1989, together with an English language translation of the same. Applicant
notes that this document is discussed on page 1 of the specification;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 6-98105, which was published
on April 8, 1994, together with an English language translation of the same. Applicant
notes that this document is discussed on page 1 of the specification;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-300497, which was published
on October 11, 2002, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-194603, which was published
on July 19, 2001, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-194605, which was published
on July 19, 2001, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-004941, which was published on January 12, 2001, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-199097, which was published on August 4, 1995, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,543,955 to YAMAZAKI et al., which issued on August 6, 1996; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-295078, which was published on October 15, 2003, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants note that this document is a family member of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0184833 to HAMA et al., which was published on October 2, 2003.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patent documents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending, commonly assigned patent application:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/752,690 to HAMA et al., entitled "Multi-Beam Scanning Device," which was filed on January 8, 2004.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above-noted application is attached hereto. However, the Examiner is also requested to review the file wrapper of this patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the references of record, if any, cited therein.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the instant application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p), to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

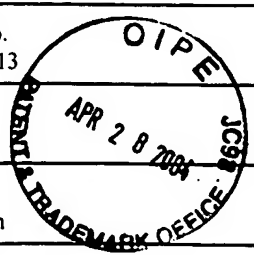
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